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CHEROKEE EYES ONLY FOR DR BRZEZINSKI

FOLLOWING REPEAT USDEL SECRETARY IN LONDON SENT ACTION SECSTATE
062023Z MAY 7.

QUOTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTO 04003

NODIS CHEROKEE

FOR TARNOFF AND LAKE

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: PFOR. RH, UK

SUBJECT: INSTRUCTIONS TO AMBASSADORS ON RHODESIAN
CONSULTATIONS

1. THE SECRETARY ON MAY 6 AGREED WITH OWEN THAT WE
SHOULD GO FORWARD JOINTLY WITH INTENSIVE BILATERAL
DISCUSSIONS WITH INTERESTED PARTIES TO A RHODESIAN
SETTLEMENT. (THEY AGREED THE SECRETARY WOULD INFORM
NKOMO OF THIS NEXT STEP DURING HIS MEETING HERE THIS
AFTERNOON.) THEY ALSO AGREED TO SIMULTANEOUS PUBLIC
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ANNOUNCEMENTS ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, AND PERHAPS SOONER
IF ALL THE PARTIES CAN BE PRIVATELY INFORMED
EXPEDITIOUSLY.

2. THE SECRETARY DECIDED THAT OUR AMBASSADORS IN THE
RESPECTIVE CAPITALS SHOULD NOTIFY THE FRONT LINE PRESI-
DENTS AND THE NATIONALIST LEADERS OF OUR JOINT INTENTION

AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD THEREFORE IMMEDIATELY PREPARE APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS TO AMBASSADORS, DRAWING FROM THE SECRETARY'S TALKING POINTS FROM THIS MORNING'S MEETING WITH OWEN. POINTS FOR THE FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS SHOULD INDICATE THAT THE SECRETARY HAS ALREADY INFORMED NKOMO.

3. THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD ALSO PREPARE A MESSAGE TO BE DELIVERED TO SMITH THROUGH HIS REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA INFORMING HIM OF THE US/UK DECISION.

4. THE BRITISH WILL CARRY OUT SEPARATE BUT PARALLEL NOTIFICATION OF THE INTERESTED PARTIES BY WAY OF A LETTER FROM OWEN WHICH WILL BE DELIVERED BY THEIR AMBASSADORS OR HIGH COMMISSIONERS.

5. TEXT OF PROPOSED BRITISH ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWS BY SEPTTEL.

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